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**2012 CHIGNIK DISTRICT TANNER CRAB SEASON
FINAL REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

Chignik District Tanner crab vessel tank inspection will not be required prior to the start of the 2012 Chignik District Tanner crab fishery. However, **all vessel operators must validate their Tanner crab vessel registration** with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) prior to participating in the fishery. Vessel operators may validate registrations no earlier than 12:00 noon on Saturday, January 14, 2012 unless final registration and the season opening have been delayed due to weather.

Vessel operators may validate registrations with ADF&G staff at the harbor master office in Sand Point beginning 12:00 noon on Saturday, January 14, 2012 unless delayed by weather. Vessel operators located within the Chignik District should contact ADF&G to arrange for Tanner crab registration validation. The Kodiak ADF&G shellfish office phone number is 907-486-1840.

For additional information please contact ADF&G in Kodiak at (907) 486-1840.